

MEETING NOTES

JUSTICE COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, June 7, 2000

12:30 - 2:30 p.m.

State Capitol Building - Room 225

Present: Hunter Finch proxy for Scott Carver, Ferris Groll, Russell Hagood, Gary Heward, Leon Jensen, Don Mendrala, Derek Pullan, Leo Lucay proxy for Kirk Torgensen, Lamont Tyler, Karen Watkins, Sherm Watkins and Kevin Youngberg

Excused: Scott Carver, Kevin Christensen, Steve Davis, John Macdonald, Dan Maldonado, Richard McKelvie, Vince Meister, Reed Richards, Ron Stallworth, Merv Taylor and Kirk Torgensen

Visitors: Marvin Dodge, Grant Mitchell, Scott Reed, Cary Stringfellow and Lee Williams

Staff: Mary Lou Emerson and Diane Ngatuva

Agenda Item: Welcome and Approval of Minutes

A motion was made to approve the minutes from the April 13, 2000 meeting by Kevin Youngberg with the motion seconded by Russ Hagood. The motion was unanimously approved.

Agenda Item: Chairman's Report

Gary Heward noted that Mary Lou Emerson will no longer serve as the USAAV Council Coordinator. She has accepted a new position as Assistant Director for the Division of Substance Abuse. Gary thanked her for her many hours of dedicated hard work over the years for the Justice Committee and wished her well in her new job.

Agenda Item: Discussion of GHB/Club Drug Issue

Cary Stringfellow, Grant Mitchell and Lee Williams from "Club Axis" spoke to the committee to discuss how negatively the drug GHB (gamma hydroxybutyrate) affects the community and their business, in particular. They presented a handout titled "Club Axis: Zero Tolerance Policy." The handout

Agenda Item: Sandy City PD Methamphetamine Video

The Sandy City Police Department has set a goal to get this methamphetamine video out to 43,000 homes in Sandy. The committee viewed the video. *Following the video Hunter Finch made a motion that the USAAV Council formally recognize and commend Chief Sam Dawson and the Sandy City Police Department for their extensive education campaign to get the word out about methamphetamine in their area. The motion was seconded by Leon Jensen and was approved unanimously.* It was suggested that a letter and a plaque that could be viewed by the community as they enter the police department might be appropriate.

Agenda Item: Drug Lab Decontamination Work Group Report

Rep. Lamont Tyler discussed the latest June 5th draft of “Standards for Illegal Drug Lab Decontamination.” The bill would leave everything to the twelve local health departments with two exceptions. The state would be required to oversee a statewide certification program for inspectors and decontamination contractors, and establish rules and regulations outlining best management practice standards for decontamination. There is a provision as well for the Department of Environmental Quality to keep a list of contaminated properties. There was discussion regarding possible funding sources for the clean up. Derek Pullan suggested that some asset forfeiture funds might be designated for clean up. It will take \$100,000 for DEQ to set up a class for certifying contractors.

Agenda Item: 2000 Justice Committee Priorities

Mary Lou handed out a priority worksheet. The committee was encouraged to get these priorities in before the August meeting for consideration.

Agenda Item: Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Justice Committee will be held on Wednesday, August 9th from 1:30 - 3:30 p.m. in room 305 of the State Capitol Building.